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the Northwest Provinces, but the total increase amounted to only 163. The total deaths for all India was 82,400, as against 77,216 for the previous week. The plague center is in the Punjab.

During the 6 weeks ended May 11, 1907, the total number of deaths reported throughout India was 451,802, or nearly a half million. During the same period the total number of deaths from plague in the Punjab was 286,777.

#### ITALY.

##### *Report from Naples—Smallpox on steamship Perugia—Status of smallpox in Italy.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon McLaughlin reports, June 13:

A well-marked case of smallpox was detected at the final inspection of the steerage passengers for the steamship *Perugia*, June 13, 1907. The case came from Ferrara, northern Italy, and had been in Naples in one of the emigrant boarding houses less than 24 hours. It was turned over to the local health authorities, and 53 probable contacts were isolated in the boarding house, to be held under guard for a period of 14 days. The house was thoroughly disinfected. Disinfection of the emigrants' baggage was rigorously enforced and a careful supervision of the vaccination exercised. The captain was instructed to have the ship's doctor revaccinate, after 4 days at sea, all persons not showing positive results of the previous vaccination.

The facts were carefully noted on the bill of health for the information of the quarantine officer, port of New York.

*Smallpox.*—Week ended June 13, 1907. Cases: Ventimiglia (Porto Maurizio) 8, Bologna 4, Castel San Pietro 7, Budrio 1, Molinella (Bologna) 1, Pesaro 1, Serrungarina 1, Penmebilli (Pesaro) 4, Lucoi (Aquila) 1, Sciacca (Girgenti) 1.

#### MEXICO.

##### *Reports from Veracruz—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Case of enteric fever from steamship Wanderer—Mosquitoes.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Frick reports, June 10 and 17:

Week ended June 8, 1907: June 3—Inspected the British steamship *Ottawa*, bound for Philadelphia, with 32 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast. June 5—Fumigated the Norwegian steamship *City of Mexico*, bound for New Orleans via Tampico, with 21 in the crew; vessel sails in the remainder of an American general cargo; time of last exposure, 2.10 p. m. June 6—Inspected the British steamship *Wanderer*, bound for Pensacola via Coatzacoalcas, with 37 in the crew; vessel sails in the remainder of a European cargo, Inspected the American steamship *Merida*, bound for New York via Progreso and Habana, with 130 in the crew, 81 cabin and 16 steerage passengers; vessel sails in general cargo. June 7—Fumigated the French steamship *Mexico*, bound for New Orleans via Tampico, with 61 in the crew, 2 cabin and 9 steerage passengers; vessel sails in the remainder of a European cargo; time of the last exposure, 5.20 p. m. June 8—Fumigated the British steamship *Cayo Largo*,

bound for Port Inglis, with 30 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast; time of last exposure, 11.40 a. m. Fumigated the Danish steamship *Frumentia*, bound for Pensacola; vessel sails in ballast; time of last exposure, 3 p. m. The *Wanderer* left an enteric or typho-malarial case here in the hospital. The *Frumentia*, a day or two after arrival, had one of the crew die of pernicious fever, contracted probably on the coast of Africa about six weeks previously. An indorsement in accordance with the above was made on the respective bill of each of these vessels. No quarantinable disease reported during the week. Mosquitoes scarce, but *Stegomyia* are present.

Week ended June 15, 1907: June 11—Fumigated the British steamship *Alexandrian*, bound for Tampa, with 44 in the crew and 3 passengers; vessel sails in ballast; fumigated, with time of last exposure 9 a. m. June 12.—Fumigated the British steamship *Ve-nango*, bound for Galveston, with 27 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast; fumigated, with time of last exposure 3.25 p. m. Fumigated the German steamship *Ilmenü*, bound for Gulf port, with 25 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast; fumigated, with time of last exposure 3.30 p. m. Inspected the British steamship *Cayo Bonito*, bound for a port via Coatzacoalcas, with 33 in the crew; vessel sails in the remainder of a European cargo. June 13—Inspected the American steamship *Esperanza*, bound for New York via Progreso and Habana, with 97 in the crew, 60 cabin, and 24 steerage passengers; vessel sails in general cargo. June 14—Inspected the British steamship *Fernfield*, bound for an American port via Progreso, with 27 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast. No quarantinable disease reported during the week. Mosquitoes are few. Rains during the last three consecutive nights indicate the beginning of the rainy season, with improved sanitary conditions.

#### NICARAGUA.

*Report from Bluefields, fruit port—Improved sanitary conditions—Coastwise passenger traffic on fruit vessels to be resumed conditionally.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Layton reports as follows:

Week ended June 17, 1907. Present officially estimated population, 2,800; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, improved. Continuous heavy fall of rain has entirely relieved water famine. There is a noticeable improvement in the streets, the rains having carried away nearly all the filth and garbage.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
June 14	Mount Vernon.....	Mobile .....	20	0	0
15	John Wilson .....	New Orleans .....	17	4	0
17	Bluefields.....	New Orleans via Bocas del Toro, Panama.	23	3	0